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Verigene® Enteric Pathogens Nucleic Acid Test (EP)

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Proprietary Names:

For the instrument:

Verigene® System

For the assay:

Verigene® Enteric Pathogens Nucleic Acid Test (EP)

Common Names:

For the instrument:

Bench-top molecular diagnostics workstation

For the assay:

Enteric Pathogens Nucleic Acid Test Enteric Pathogens identification and differentiation system Enteric assay Enteric test

Regulatory Information:

Regulation section:

866. 3990 - Gastrointestinal microorganism multiplex nucleic acid-based assay

Classification:

Class II

Panel:

Microbiology (83)

Product Code(s):

PCH Gastrointestinal Pathogen Panel Multiplex Nucleic Acid-Based Assay System

PCI Gastrointestinal Bacterial Panel Multiplex Nucleic Acid-based Assay System

OOI Real Time Nucleic Acid Amplification System

Other codes used by predicate device:

NSU Instrumentation for clinical multiplex test systems

JJH Clinical Sample Concentrator

Predicate Devices:

xTAG® Gastrointestinal Pathogen Panel (GPP) (K121894) (Luminex Molecular Diagnostics, Inc.)

Indications for Use:

The Verigene[®] Enteric Pathogens Nucleic Acid Test (EP) is a multiplexed, qualitative test for simultaneous detection and identification of common pathogenic enteric bacteria and genetic virulence markers from liquid or soft stool preserved in Cary-Blair media, collected from individuals with signs and symptoms of gastrointestinal infection. The test is performed on the automated Nanosphere Verigene System utilizing reverse transcription (RT), polymerase chain reaction (PCR), and array hybridization to detect specific gastrointestinal microbial nucleic acid gene sequences associated with the following pathogenic bacteria:

- Campylobacter Group (comprised of C. coli, C. jejuni, and C. lari)
- Salmonella species
- Shigella species (including S. dysenteriae, S. boydii, S. sonnei, and S. flexneri)
- Vibrio Group (comprised of V. cholerae and V. parahaemolyticus)
- Yersinia enterocolitica

In addition, EP detects the Shiga toxin 1 gene and Shiga toxin 2 gene virulence markers. Shiga toxin producing *E. coli* (STEC) typically harbor one or both genes that encode for Shiga Toxins 1 and 2.

EP is indicated as an aid in the diagnosis of specific agents of gastrointestinal illness, in conjunction with other clinical, laboratory, and epidemiological information; however, is not to be used to monitor these infections. EP also aids in the detection and identification of acute gastroenteritis in the context of outbreaks.

Due to the limited number of positive specimens collected for certain organisms during the prospective clinical study, performance characteristics for *Yersinia enterocolitica*, *Vibrio* Group and *Shigella* species were primarily established with contrived specimens.

Concomitant culture is necessary for organism recovery and further typing of bacterial agents.

EP results should not be used as the sole basis for diagnosis, treatment, or other patient management decisions. Confirmed positive results do not rule out co-infection with other organisms that are not detected by this test, and may not be the sole or definitive cause of patient illness. Negative EP results in the setting of clinical illness compatible with gastroenteritis may be due to infection by pathogens that are not detected by this test or non-infectious causes such as ulcerative colitis, irritable bowel syndrome, or Crohn's disease.

Technological Characteristics:

The Verigene Enteric Pathogens Nucleic Acid Test (EP) is a molecular assay which relies on detection of specific nucleic acid targets in a microarray format. For each of the bacterial nucleic acid sequences detected by EP, unique Capture and Mediator oligonucleotides are utilized, with gold nanoparticle probe-based endpoint detection. The Capture oligonucleotides are covalently bound to the microarray substrate and hybridize to a specific portion of the nucleic acid targets. The Mediator oligonucleotides have a region which bind to a different portion of the same nucleic acid targets and also have a sequence which allows binding of a gold nanoparticle probe. Specific silver enhancement of the bound gold nanoparticle probes at the capture sites results in gold-silver aggregates that scatter light with high efficiency and provide accurate detection of target capture.

The EP test is performed on the Verigene System, a "sample-to-result", fully automated, bench-top molecular diagnostics workstation. The System enables automated nucleic acid extraction from unformed stool specimens (liquid or soft) preserved in Cary-Blair media and detection of bacterial-specific target DNA. The Verigene System consists of two components: the Verigene Reader and the Verigene Processor *SP*.

The Reader is the Verigene System's user interface, which serves as the central control unit for all aspects of test processing, automated imaging, and result generation using a touch-screen control panel and a barcode scanner. The Verigene Processor SP executes the test procedure, automating the steps of (1) Sample Preparation and Target Amplification – cell lysis and magnetic bead-based bacterial DNA isolation and amplification, and (2) Hybridization—detection and identification of bacterial-specific DNA in a microarray format by using gold nanoparticle probe-based technology. Once the specimen is loaded by the operator, all other fluid transfer steps are performed by an automated pipette that transfers reagents between wells of the trays and finally loads the specimen into the Test Cartridge for hybridization. Single-use disposable test consumables and a self-contained Verigene Test Cartridge are utilized for each sample tested with the EP assay.

To obtain the test results after test processing is complete, the user removes the Test Cartridge from the Processor SP, and inserts the substrate holder into the Reader for analysis. Light scatter from the capture spots is imaged by the Reader and intensities from the microarray spots are used to make a determination regarding the presence (Detected) or absence (Not Detected) of a bacterial nucleic acid sequence/analyte. This determination is made by means of software-based decision algorithm resident in the Reader.

Performance Data - Analytical Testing

Analytical Sensitivity / Limit of Detection (LoD)

Analytical sensitivity (LoD) of the EP test was determined for 16 strains of enteric pathogens, representing all seven (7) EP test reportable target analytes. The LoD was defined as the concentration at which the test produces a positive result at least 95% of the time. Serial dilutions of the strains were tested and the putative LoD confirmed with 20 replicates. To ensure the accuracy of the LoD determination, if the initial detection rate was 100%, a further 20 replicates were performed at the next lower concentration until <95% was achieved. The LoDs for the 16 strains tested, and the corresponding LoD ranges for the EP test reportable target, are shown in the table below. Overall, the LoDs range from 4.10×10^3 to 3.33×10^3 CFU/mL of stool.

Representative Organism Tested	ATCC Source Number	Organism LoD (CFU/mL)	Reportable Target	EP Test Target LoD (CFU/mL Stool)
Campylobacter jejuni subsp jejuni	43429	$3.70 \text{x} 10^4$		
Campylobacter coli	43482	1.11x10 ⁵	Campylobacter	3.70x10 ⁴ - 1.11x10 ⁵
Campylobacter lari	35222	$3.70 \text{x} 10^4$]	
Salmonella enterica subsp enterica serovar typhi	9993	$3.33 \mathrm{x} 10^{5}$	6.1 11	2.22.105
Salmonella enterica subsp arizonae	13314	3.33x10 ⁵	Salmonella	3.33x10⁵
Shigella dysenteriae / Shiga Toxin 1	29026	$3.70 \text{x} 10^4$	Shigella, Stx1	
Shigella flexneri	25929	1.11x10 ⁵		2 70 104 111 105
Shigella sonnei	29030	$3.70 \text{x} 10^4$	Shigella	$3.70 \times 10^4 - 1.11 \times 10^5$
Shigella boydii	12035	1.11x10 ⁵	1	
Vibrio cholerae	39315	1.11x10 ⁵	3.00	2.70.104 111.105
Vibrio parahaemolyticus	49398	3.70x10 ⁴	Vibrio	$3.70 \times 10^4 - 1.11 \times 10^5$
	700822	3.33x10 ⁵	Yersinia	
Yersinia enterocolitica	23715	1.11x10 ⁵	enterocolitica	1.11x10 ⁵ - 3.33x10 ⁵
E. coli – Shiga Toxin I	43890	4.10×10^3	Stx1	$4.10 \times 10^3 - 3.70 \times 10^4$
E. coli – Shiga Toxin 2	BAA-176	1.11x10 ⁵	0. 2	2.70 104 111 105
E. coli – Shiga Toxin 1 / Shiga Toxin 2	43895	3.70x10 ⁴	Stx2	$3.70 \times 10^4 - 1.11 \times 10^5$

Analytical Reactivity (Inclusivity)

Analytical reactivity of the EP test was demonstrated with a comprehensive panel of 111 clinically relevant bacterial strains representing temporal, geographical, and phylogenic diversity for each claimed target (see table below). For the Stx1 and Stx2 targets, Shiga toxin producing organisms tested included the vast majority of serotypes isolated in the U.S and those that are outbreak-related. All 111 strains generated the expected result when tested in triplicate at a concentration of three times LoD.

	Total Number of	Species Tested	
Reportable Target	Organisms/Strains Tested	Name (No. of Strains)	Total Number
Campylobacter	15 -	C. coli (5). C. jejuni subsp jejuni (4), C. jejuni subsp doylei (1), C. lari (5)	3
Salmonella	31	S. bongori (1), S. enterica subsp various (5), S. enterica subsp enterica serovar various (25)	2
Shigella	20	S. boydii (5), S. dysenteriae (5) ^a , S. flexneri (5), S. sonnei (5)	4
Vibrio	10	V. cholerae (5), V. parahaemolyticus (5)	2
Yersinia enterocolitica	7	Y. enterocolitica (7)	1
Shiga toxin 1	19	S. dysenteriae (2) ^a . E. coli (17) ^b	2
Shiga toxin 2	16	E. coli (16) b	1

a Two (2) strains contain Stx1

Analytical Specificity (Cross-reactivity)

One-hundred and sixty-one (161) organisms, consisting of 135 bacterial organisms, 21 viruses, four (4) parasites and one (1) human cell line were tested with the EP test to determine analytical specificity (see table below). Eight (8) organisms, including Astrovirus and Sapovirus (2 strains), *Campylobacter hominis* and all four parasites were tested as genomic DNA/RNA. In addition, to rule out cross-reactivity between the analytes detected by the EP test, six organisms representing all of the EP test detected targets, were tested at elevated concentrations of 5 x 10⁶ CFU/mL. The exclusivity of 15 species of *Vibrio* not associated with human infection, four (4) non-pathogenic strains of *Escherichia coli*, *Yersinia pestis*, and *Clostridium botulinum* were evaluated by *in silico* analysis alone.

All of the organisms tested yielded the expected "Not Detected" results, indicating that there was no cross-reactivity with the EP test, with the exception of *Campylobacter insulaenigrae* which yielded a single positive result (1/9) for "Campylobacter". *In silico* analysis also indicates a potential for low-level cross-reactivity. While *Campylobacter insulaenigrae* has been isolated primarily from marine mammals, in rare cases it may cause septicemia and gastroenteritis in humans.^[1]

b Five (5) strains contain both Stx1 and Stx2

^[1] J Med Microbiol. 2007 Nov;56(Pt 11):1565-7.

		Organisms Tested	l for Analytical S		
		st Panel Members			est Panel Members
Genus	Species	Genus	Species	Genus	Species
Abiotrophia	defectiva		coli (3 strains)		concisus
Acinetobacter	baumannii		coli (EAEC)		curvus
	lwoffii	Escherichia	coli (EPEC) (2)		fetus
Acrobacter	butzleri		coli (ETEC) (2)		gracilis
	cryaerophilus		fergusonii		hominis
	allosaccharophila		hermannii		hyointestinalis
	bestiarum	Fusobacterium	varium	Campylobacter	insulaenigrae
	caviae	Helicobacter	hepaticus		lanienae .
	encheleia		pylori (4 strains)		mucosalis
Aeromonas	enteropelogenes	Klebsiella	oxytoca		rectus
Tel Omorado	eucrenophila		pneumoniae		showae
	hydrophilia		acidophilus		sputorum
	jandaei	Lactobacillus	reuteri		upsaliensis
	salmonicida*		rhamnosus		alginolyticus
	veronii	Lactococcus	lactis		campbellii
Alcaligenes	faecalis	Leminorela	grimontii		cincinnatiensis
Bacillus	cereus	Listeria	grayi		fluvialis
	caccae	Listeria	monocytogenes	Vibrio	furnissii
Bacteroides	fragilis	Morganella	morganii	110/10	harvevi
Dacierolaes	merdae	Peptostreptococcus	anaerobius		metschnikovii
	stercoris	Plesiomonas	shigelloides		mimicus
Candida	albicans	Porphyromonas	asaccharoluticus		tubiashii
Cedecea	davisae	Prevotella	melaniogenica		vulnificus (3 strains)
Citrobacter	amalonaticus		mirabilis		aldovae
	freundii	Proteus	vulgaris	Yersinia	aleksiciae
	sedlakii		penneri		bercovieri
	bifermentans		stuartii		frederiksenii
	bolteae	Providencia	alcalifaciens		intermedia
	bulyricum		rettgeri		kristensenii
	difficile (2 strains)		aeruginosa		mollaretii
	difficile, non-tox	Pseudomonas	fluroescenes		pseudotuberculosis
	haemolyticum	1 seudomonas	putida		ruckeri
	methylpentosum		aeruginosa		rohdei
Clostridium	nexile	Ruminococcus	bromii	Vi	ruses
Ciosiriaium	noyvi	Camatia	liquefacians	Name	Serovar / Group
	orbiscindens	Serratia	marcescens		Type 1/Group C
	perfringens	C4	aureus		Type 2/Group C
i	scindens	Staphylococcus	epidermidis		Type 3/Group B1
	septicum	٠	agalactiae, O90R		Type 4/Group E
	sordellii	Streptococcus	dysgalactiae		Type 5/Group C
	spiroforme		mutans	Adenovirus	Type 14/Group B2
	sporogenes	Para	sites		Type 26/Group D
Colinsella	aerofaciens	Blastocystis	hominis		Type 31/Group A
Desulfovibrio	piger	Cryptosporidium	parvum		Type 37/Group D
Edwardsiella	tarda	Entamoeba	histolytica		Type 40/Group F
Enterobacter	aerogenes	Giardia	lamblia		Human 4
Enterobacter	cloacae	Human (Astrovirus	<u> </u>
Enterococcus	faecalis	Colon epithelial cells		Coxsackievirus B4	
	faecium	(colorectal adenocare	cinoma)	Cytomegalovirus	-
* Sub-species maso	oucida and sub-species sai	lmonicida (2 strains)		Echovirus 11	-
				Enterovirus 68	-
				Norovirus	Genogroup Gl
				INOTOVITUS	Genogroup GII
				Rotavirus	Genogroup A
				Sapovirus	

Microbial Interference

Two representative bacterial organisms detected by the EP test, Campylobacter jejuni and Escherichia coli (Shiga toxin 1), were evaluated for potential interference in the presence of 14 potentially interferent microorganisms not detected by the EP test, including Bacteroides fragilis, Prevotella oralis, Prevotella melaninogenicus, Bifidobacterium bifidum, Clostridium perfringens, Enterobacter aerogenes, Enterococcus faecalis, Escherichia coli, Klebsiella pneumonia, Lactobacillus acidophilus, Staphylococcus aureus, Blastocystis hominis, Entamoeba histolytica, and Candida albicans. These 14 microorganisms represent the most prevalent bacteria known to be present in the human colon and therefore are the most likely to be encountered in stool specimens tested with the EP test. These normal flora bacteria were tested at a concentration of 10⁷ CFU/mL with the exception of the parasites Blastocystis hominis and Entamoeba histolytica which were tested at 9x10⁶ cells/mL and 7x10⁵ cells/mL respectively. No interference was observed with the EP test for any of the samples tested.

Interference (Exogenous Substances)

A comprehensive interfering substances study was performed to assess the potential inhibitory effect of endogenous and exogenous substances that can commonly be found in clinical stool specimens. Two organisms representative of the target analytes detected by the EP test, i.e., *Campylobacter jejuni* and *Escherichia coli* (Shiga toxin 1), were individually challenged with 22 potentially interfering substances (shown in the following table) at high, medically-relevant concentrations. None of the 22 substances tested showed any inhibitory effect on the detection of target enteric pathogens using the EP test.

Intralipid	Vaseline Original 100% Pure Petroleum Jelly
Cholesterol	Tums Antacid with Calcium Extra Strength 750
Whole Blood	Gaviscon Extra Strength Liquid Antacid
Mucus (Nasopharyngeal swab sample in UTM)	Mesalazine
Nystatin Suspension	Immodium® AD Anti-Diarrheal
Preparation H® Anti-itch Hydrocortisone 1%	Pepto-Bismol Max Strength
Desitin Maximum Strength Original Paste	MetronidazoleTopical Cream (0.75%)
Preparation H® Hemorrhoidal Ointment	Naproxen Sodium
Options Conceptrol®Vaginal Contraceptive Gel	Mucin from bovine submaxillary glands, Type I-S
Wet Ones®Antibacterial Hand Wipes	Barium Sulfate
K-Y®Personal Lubricant Jelly	Amoxicillin (Antibiotic)

Carryover / Cross-contamination

The potential for carryover and cross-contamination of the EP test on the Verigene system was assessed by alternately testing six representative high positive enteric pathogen samples (*Yersinia enterocolitica*, *Shigella dysenteriae* / Stx1, *Escherichia coli* / Stx2, *Salmonella enterica enterica*, *Campylobacter jejuni*, and *Vibrio cholera*) at 5x10⁶ CFU/mL, followed by testing a negative stool sample. The high-titer sample was alternated with the negative sample three times on six unique Verigene *SP* Processors. No carryover or cross-contamination was observed.

Competitive Inhibition

Binary combinations of all six of the EP test panel organisms representing all possible dual infections were evaluated, using simulated samples prepared in Negative Stool Matrix (NSM), with one panel organism present at a Low Positive titer (3x LoD) and a second organism present at a High Positive titer (> 10⁶ CFU/mL stool). The performance of the EP test was evaluated with each of the 30 unique sample combinations tested in replicates of three (3). The EP test correctly detected both bacterial target organisms present in the co-infection combinations tested with one exception. For the Low Titer Campylobacter coli and High Titer E. coli/Stx2 sample, the EP test did not detect Campylobacter in one of the three replicates, although Shiga Toxin 2 was correctly identified in all cases. However, repeat testing indicated that this observation was not indicative of competitive inhibition.

Cutoff Verification

Target mean intensity values observed with the EP test were examined for the testing of the sixteen bacterial samples used to establish the Limit of Detection of the assay. In addition, the cut-off data set included the test results of three negative control samples. With replicates of 20 for each sample and ten target spot groups evaluated per test, a total of 3800 data points (1120 expected positive) were assessed to verify the assay cut-off.

Precision

The precision study was conducted in-house by Nanosphere, during which a fourteen-member simulated sample panel was tested daily in duplicate by two (2) operators for four (4) non-consecutive days for a total of sixteen (16) tests per sample. In total, the study yielded 224 test results. The fourteen (14) sample panel comprised six (6) different strains at two (2) different concentrations (12 positive samples) and two (2) negative samples (Negative Stool Matrix and *Clostridium difficile*). This panel included for each strain, a "Low Positive" sample (defined as approximately 1-2x LoD), which would be expected to produce a positive result approximately 95% of the time, and a "Moderate Positive" sample (defined as approximately 2-5x LoD), which would be expected to yield a positive result approximately 100% of the time. Results are summarized below.

Sample	EP Test Expected Call	Conc.	Agreement w/ Expected Result (95 % CI) ^a	Sample	EP Test Expected Call	Conc.	Agreement w/ Expected Result (95 % CI) a
Escherichia	E. coli	Moderate	100% 16/16 (79.4%-100%)	Campylobacter	Commulabortar	Moderate	100% 16/16 (79.4%-100%)
coli/Stx2	Stx2	Low	100% 16/16 (79.4%-100%)	jejuni	Campylobacter	Low	100% 16/16 (79.4%-100%)
Salmonella	Culmanalla	Moderate	100% 16/16 (79.4%-100%)	Vibrio	Vibrio	Moderate	100% 16/16 (79.4%-100%)
enterica	Salmonella	Low	93.8% 15/16 ^b (69.8%-99.8%)	parahaemolyticus	Vibrio	Low	100% 16/16 (79.4%-100%)
Shigella	Shigella	Moderate	100% 16/16 (79.4%-100%)	Negative Stool Matrix	All Targets Not Detected	NA	100% 16/16 (79.4%-100%)
dysenteriae Stx1	Stx1	Low	100% 16/16 (79.4%-100%)	Clostridium difficile	All Targets Not Detected	NA	100% 16/16 (79.4%-100%)
Yersinia	V antoropolitica	Moderate	100% 16/16 (79.4%-100%)				
enterocolitica	Y. enterocolitica	Low	100% 16/16 (79.4%-100%)		•		

a 95% Two-sided Exact Binomial Confidence Interval calculation using the exact Clopper-Pearson method.

^b One sample called "Salmonella" and "Stx2."

Performance Data - Clinical Testing

Reproducibility

The inter-laboratory reproducibility of the EP test was determined by conducting a reproducibility study at three external sites. Fourteen (14) unique samples were tested daily in triplicate by two (2) operators for five (5) non-consecutive days at three (3) sites for a total of ninety (90) tests per sample. The study tested a total of 1260 samples. The fourteen (14) sample panel was the same panel described previously for the precision study comprising six (6) different strains at two (2) different concentrations (12 positive samples) and two (2) negative samples (Negative Stool Matrix and *Clostridium difficile*). The results of the Reproducibility Study are provided in the table below.

Sample	Expected Call	Conc.	Total Agre	ement with Exped (95 % CI)	ted Result
•	'		Site 1	Site 2	Site 3
			30/30	30/30	30/30
		Moderate	100%	100%	100%
Escherichia	E. coli		(88.4-100)	(88.4-100)	(88.4-100)
coli/Stx2	Stx2		29/30	30/30	30/30
		Low	96.7%	100%	100%
			(82.8-99.9)	(88.4-100)	(88.4-100)
<u> </u>			28/30	30/30	30/30
		Moderate	93.3%	100%	100%
Salmonella		•	(77.9-99.2)	(88.4-100)	(88.4-100)
enterica	Salmonella		26/30	30/30	30/30
		Low	86.7%	100%	100%
			(69.3-96.2)	(88.4-100)	(88.4-100)
			30/30	28/30	30/30
		Moderate	100%	93.3%	100%
Shigella	Shigella		(88.4-100)	(77.9-99.2)	(88.4-100)
dysenteriae/Stx1	StxI		29/30	29/30	28/30
ayberner taeroni		Low	96.7%	96.7%	93.3%
			(82.8-99.9)	(82.8-99.9)	(77.9-99.2)
		Moderate	29/30	30/30	30/30
			96.7%	100%	100%
Yersinia			(82.8-99.9)	(88.4-100)	(88.4-100)
enterocolitica	Y. enterocolitica		28/30	27/30	25/30
		Low	93.3%	90.0%	83.3%
		·	(77.9-99.2)	(73.5-97.9)	(65.3-94.4)
			30/30	30/30	30/30
		Moderate	100%	100%	100%
Campylobacter			(88.4-100)	(88.4-100)	(88.4-100)
jejuni	Campylobacter	-	30/30	30/30	30/30
<i>y</i>		Low	100%	100%	100%
			(88.4-100)	(88.4-100)	(88.4-100)
			30/30	30/30	30/30
		Moderate	100%	100%	100%
Vibrio	1771		(88.4-100)	(88.4-100)	(88.4-100)
parahaemolyticus	Vibrio		30/30	30/30	30/30
• •		Low	100%	100%	100%
			(88.4-100)	(88.4-100)	(88.4-100)
N			30/30	30/30	30/30
Negative Stool	Negative	NA	100%	100%	100%
Matrix			(88.4-100)	(88.4-100)	(88.4-100)
Classific			30/30	30/30	30/30
Clostridium	Negative	NA	100%	100%	100%
difficile			(88.4-100)	(88.4-100)	(88.4-100)

Clinical Study - Method Comparison

The performance characteristics of the EP test were determined in a multi-site prospective investigation study at seven (7) U.S. institutions by comparing the Verigene EP test results to reference methods, including bacterial culture and automated phenotype identification for the bacterial targets and broth enrichment followed by EIA and PCR amplification/BDS for Stx1/Stx2 typing. The study included the testing of prospectively collected fresh and frozen Cary-Blair specimens and simulated frozen seeded Cary-Blair specimens. Deidentified prospectively-collected specimens were enrolled from individuals receiving routine care requiring enteric pathogens testing. Twelve (12) clinical specimen acquisition sites were used to provide glycerol stocks to seed 408 simulated specimens. These specimens were blinded and shipped to the testing sites and tested alongside prospectively collected specimens.

A total of 1975 specimens were tested with the EP test. Ninety-eight (98) specimens were excluded; 95 prospectively collected and selected specimens and three simulated specimens. Of the remaining 1877 valid specimens, 25 specimens had a final "No Call," resulting in 25 indeterminate specimens. Therefore, a total of 1852 evaluable specimens were used to calculate the performance characteristics for the study. The following table provides a summary of demographic information for 1262 of the 1277 prospectively collected specimens in the valid dataset (age was not recorded for 15 specimens).

Age Range	No. of Specimens	Percentage
0-1	61	4.8%
>1-5	47	3.7%
>5-12	84	6.7%
>12-21	139	11.0%
>21-65	609	48.3%
>65	322	25.5%
Total	1262	100%

The table below provides a summary of the clinical performance, stratified by specimen type, of the EP test for the detection of five (5) bacterial targets and Stx1 and Stx2 (n=1852), compared to the above-described reference methods.

					% Agreeme	ent (95% CI)	II .				I	% Agreeme	nt (95% CI)		
	S	pecime	ı Type	n	Positive	Negative	1 .	Sı	pecime	1 Туре	l n	Positive	Negative		
-					90.5%	98.8%	1 1		}			85.7%	99.4%		
		Prospectively Collected	Fresh	1243	19/21	1207/1222			Prospectively Collected	Fresh	1243	18/21	1215/1222		
	20	ecti			(69,6-98.8)	(98.0-99.3)		2	ecti			(63.7-97.0)	(98.8-99.8)		
1	l en	col	E	34	100% 2/2	100% 32/32		ı eu	Col	Frozen	34	100%	97.0% 32/33		
pp.	eci.	Pr	Frozen	. 34	(15.8-100)	(89.1-100)		ella spp. Clinical Specimens	<u>.</u>	Prozen	34	(2,5-100)	(84.2-99.9)		
Campylobacter spp.	S.				97.5%	99.2%	غ ا	S			i -	98.2%	99.1%		
baci	Clinical Specimens	Se	lected	166	39/40	125/126	g .	nics	Se	lected	166	53/54	111/112		
is.to	ö				(86.8-99.9)	(95.7-100)	Salmonella spp.	5			ļ	(90.1-100)	(95.1-100)		
dun.			All	1443	95,2% 60/63	98.8% 1364/1380	100			All	1443	94.7% 72/76	99.3% 1358/1367		
5			All	144.7	(86.7-99.0)	(98.1-99.3)	Sal			All	1773	(87.1-98.6)	(98.8-99.7)		
1		•			98.5%	100%						100%	100%		
		Simul	ated	409	67/68	341/341			Simul	ated	409	67/67	342/342		
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<i>Shigella</i> spp.	5				(54.1-100)	(96,6-100)	Vibrio spp.	Ö				(2.5-100)	(97.8-100)		
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S			7311	1445	(51.8-99.7)	(98.0-99.3)	-	-			14.15	(29.2-100)	(99.7-100)		
						100%	1					91,1%	99.7%		
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Substantial Equivalence

The Verigene® Enteric Pathogen Nucleic Acid Test (EP test) has been shown to be substantially equivalent to the xTAG Gastrointestinal Pathogen Panel (GPP). The EP test has similar intended use and indications, technological characteristics, and performance characteristics. The minor differences between the EP test and its predicate devices raise no new issues of safety or effectiveness. Performance data demonstrate that the EP test is as safe and effective as the predicate device. Thus, the EP test is substantially equivalent to the predicate device.

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Element	New Device: Enteric Pathogens Nucleic Acid Test (EP) K140083	Predicate: xTAG® Gastrointestinal Pathogen Panel (GPP) K121894
Intended Use	The Verigene Enteric Pathogens Nucleic Acid Test (EP) is a multiplexed, qualitative test for simultaneous detection and identification of common pathogenic enteric bacteria and genetic virulence markers from liquid or soft stool preserved in Cary-Blair media, collected from individuals with signs and symptoms of gastrointestinal infection. The test is performed on the automated Nanosphere Verigene System utilizing reverse transcription (RT), polymerase chain reaction (PCR), and array hybridization to detect specific gastrointestinal microbial nucleic acid gene sequences associated with the following pathogenic bacteria: • Campylobacter Group (comprised of C. coli, C. jejuni, and C. lari) • Salmonella species • Shigella species (including S. dysenteriae, S. boydii, S. sonnei, and S. flexneri) • Vibrio Group (comprised of V. cholerae and V. parahaemolyticus) • Yersinia enterocolitica In addition, EP detects the Shiga toxin 1 gene and Shiga toxin 2 gene virulence markers. Shiga toxin producing E. coli (STEC) typically harbor one or both genes that encode for Shiga Toxins 1 and 2. EP is indicated as an aid in the diagnosis of specific agents of gastrointestinal illness, in conjunction with other clinical, laboratory, and epidemiological information; however, is not to be used to monitor these infections. EP also aids in	The xTAG® Gastrointestinal Pathogen Panel (GPP) is a multiplexed nucleic acid test intended for the simultaneous qualitative detection and identification of multiple viral, parasitic, and bacterial nucleic acids in human stool specimens from individuals with signs and symptoms of infectious colitis or gastroenteritis. The following pathogen types, subtypes and toxin genes are identified using the xTAG® GPP: • Campylobacter (C. jejuni, C. coli and C. lari only) • Clostridium difficile (C. difficile) toxin A/B • Cryptosporidium (C. parvum and C. hominis only) • Escherichia coli (E. coli) O157 • Enterotoxigenic Escherichia coli (ETEC) LT/ST • Giardia (G. lamblia only - also known as G. intestinalis and G. duodenalis) • Norovirus GI/GII • Rotavirus A • Salmonella • Shiga-like Toxin producing E. coli (STEC) stx 1/stx 2 • Shigella (S. boydii, S. sonnei, S. flexneri and S. dysenteriae) The detection and identification of specific gastrointestinal microbial nucleic acid from individuals exhibiting signs and symptoms of gastrointestinal infection aids in the diagnosis of gastrointestinal infection when used in conjunction with clinical evaluation, laboratory findings and

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Specimen Type	Human Stool sample in Cary-Blair Media	Same
DNA Amplification	PCR .	Same
Organisms/NA Targets Detected	Campylobacter Group (C. coli, C. jejuni, and C. lari) Salmonella species Shigella species (S. dysenteriae, S. boydii, S. sonnei, and S. flexneri) Vibrio Group (comprised of V. cholerae and V. parahaemolyticus) Yersinia enterocolitica Shiga toxin 1 gene and Shiga toxin 2 gene virulence markers	Same with additional analytes (excluding Vibrio Group and Yersinia enterocolitica).

Differences					
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Time to Result	~ 2 hours	5 hours			
Sample prep	On-board, automated NA extraction and amplification	Off-line NA Extraction and amplification			
Detection Method	Gold/Silver nanoparticle probe detection of bacterial-specific DNA on complementary oligo- microarray	Specific microbial target or control bead populations coupled to sequences from Universal Array streptavidin, R-phycoerythrin conjugate			
Optical Detection	Light scatter	Multi-color fluorescence			



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Re: K140083

Trade/Device Name: Verigene Enteric Pathogen Nucleic Acid Test

Regulation Number: 21 CFR 866.3990

Regulation Name: Gastrointestinal pathogen panel multiplex nucleic acid-based assay

system

Regulatory Class: II

Product Code: PCH, PCI, OOI

Dated: May 21, 2014 Received: May 22, 2014

Dear Dr. Lermer:

We have reviewed your Section 510(k) premarket notification of intent to market the device referenced above and have determined the device is substantially equivalent (for the indications for use stated in the enclosure) to legally marketed predicate devices marketed in interstate commerce prior to May 28, 1976, the enactment date of the Medical Device Amendments, or to devices that have been reclassified in accordance with the provisions of the Federal Food, Drug, and Cosmetic Act (Act) that do not require approval of a premarket approval application (PMA). You may, therefore, market the device, subject to the general controls provisions of the Act. The general controls provisions of the Act include requirements for annual registration, listing of devices, good manufacturing practice, labeling, and prohibitions against misbranding and adulteration. Please note: CDRH does not evaluate information related to contract liability warranties. We remind you, however, that device labeling must be truthful and not misleading.

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Indications for Use

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